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May 31, 1961

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Dear Sir:

I regret that I will be unable to accept your  
May 29th invitation, due to my attendance at  
the annual meeting of the International Labor  
Organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

With every good wish

Very truly yours,

*Adam C. Powell*  
per

ADAM C. POWELL  
Chairman

*May 31, 1961*

Mr. Julius W. Robson  
President  
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2717 17th Street, N.E.  
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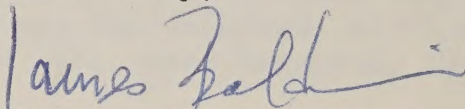
June 23, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Washington CORE  
2717 17th Street, NE.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Thank you for your kind note. I was indeed glad to have been at the rally and to have been of some help in the work you are doing.

Sincerely,

  
James Baldwin

JB:emh

James Baldwin

June 23, 1961

Mr. John W. Hobson

Treasurer

Washington State

217 2nd Avenue, N.E.

Seattle, Washington 98102

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May 31, 1961

The President  
The White House  
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

As you know, a group of Freedom Riders left Washington, D. C. on May 4, 1961 on Greyhound and Trailways buses. These Americans were exercising their rights as citizens to engage in interstate travel in a peaceful manner. During the course of their trip, they were to traverse several southeastern states. This trip was sponsored by the Congress of Racial Equality. Prior to the departure of the Freedom Riders, the Attorney General of the United States and members of the press were notified. The events that followed, of which you are well aware and in constant contact with, were immoral, illegal, and brought shame upon our country.

The Washington Congress of Racial Equality, with the support and endorsement of many organizations and individuals who have signed the enclosed petition (including two petitions from Michigan), is bringing these courageous Americans to our Nation's Capitol. We hope to show the world that all Americans cannot be judged by the acts of violent mobs in Alabama. The original Freedom Riders will be at All Souls Unitarian Church, 16th and Harvard Streets N. W. at 7:00 p. m. on June 11, 1961.

Mr. President, we would greatly appreciate your appearance at this gathering. If your already crowded schedule prevents this, we would appreciate your sending an official representative. Such an act on your part, we think, would demonstrate to the world that the government of the United States is truly dedicated to the proposition "That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights."

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Julius W. Hobson, President

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

*P. President  
Hennrich*

June 6, 1961

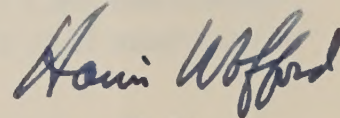
Dear Mr. Hobson:

On behalf of the President, let me thank you for presenting to us the petitions concerning the Freedom Riders signed by so many citizens of the District of Columbia.

The President wishes me to assure you that the Federal government is going to take every necessary and proper step to protect the full constitutional rights of all Americans. He will, of course, consider your request carefully along with the other proposed steps to advance constitutional rights which are now before him.

In this connection, I call your attention to the enclosed petition to the Interstate Commerce Commission by the Attorney General, which calls for the Commission to make comprehensive rules to enforce the right of Americans to travel in interstate commerce without any racial discrimination whatsoever.

Sincerely,



Harris L. Wofford  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Julius W. Hobson,  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Enclosure









THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
WASHINGTON

WALTER N. TOBRINER  
PRESIDENT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 2, 1961

*Freedom Riders*

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 29, inviting me to participate in the rally being sponsored by the Washington Area Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality to express support of the Freedom Riders and their cause, to be held at All Souls Unitarian Church on Sunday evening, June 11.

I am very sorry indeed that I will be unable to be present as I shall be at Princeton University attending my son's graduation.

In compliance with your request, I am enclosing a message which can be read at the rally if it meets with your approval.

Sincerely yours,

*Walter N. Tobiner*

President  
Board of Commissioners, D. C.







THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
WASHINGTON

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WALTER N. TOBRINER  
PRESIDENT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 11, 1961

President Hobson, Members of the Congress of Racial  
Equality, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I regret that I am unable to be with you tonight.

The major problem before the world today is the  
fulfillment of the dream of the centuries that all members  
of the human race, everywhere, have the right to live in  
health and decency and to enjoy life and liberty to the  
fullest extent.

I believe we must come to a realization that this  
is the essentially fundamental problem we must all face  
and solve, if only for the base reason of self-interest.

As a member of the Democratic Party and in conso-  
nance with the platform adopted by that party, I shall work  
for the civil rights goals as therein set out.

My best wishes for a fruitful conference.

*Walter N. Tobiner*

President  
Board of Commissioners, D. C.





HUBERT H. HUMPHREY  
MINNESOTA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

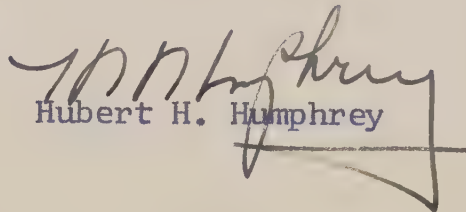
June 1, 1961

Julius W. Hofson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hofson:

Thank you for your letter of May 28th inviting me to the rally being sponsored by the Washington chapter of CORE on Sunday evening, June 11th. I regret that it is not possible for me to be with you. That evening I am scheduled for a speaking engagement in Boston.

Sincerely yours,

  
Hubert H. Humphrey





*Freedom 1961*  
*2nd*

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JULIUS W HOBSON, PRESENT

CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY 2717 17TH ST NE WASHDC

IT WAS VERY GOOD OF YOU INDEED TO THINK OF ME IN CONNECTION  
WITH YOUR COMING RALLY. UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE ALREADY MADE  
PLANS TO BE IN OREGON ON THAT DATE AND AM UNABLE TO CHANGE THEM.

I AM IN FULL SYMPATHY WITH YOUR EFFORTS TO ENSURE EVERY  
AMERICAN OF HIS FULL CONSTITUTIONAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS. YOUR  
MOVEMENT HAS THE FERVOR AND MORAL INTEGRITY OF CHRISTIANITY  
BEHIND IT. IT IS IN EFFECT CHRISTIANITY IN PRACTICE. AS YOU  
MAY KNOW, I SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF SENATOR JAVITS AND THE  
FREEDOM RIDERS ON MAY 25. I SINCERELY REGRET THAT I WILL BE  
UNABLE TO ATTEND YOUR RALLY BUT YOU HAVE MY BEST WISHES AND SUPPORT.

WITH KINDEST REGARDS

WAYNE MORSE US SENATE *Sen*

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Department of Justice  
Washington

May 31, 1961


Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President, Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

The Attorney General has asked me to thank you for your invitation to attend the rally on Sunday, June 11.

Because of a previous commitment, it will not be possible for him to attend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Edwin Guthman", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Edwin Guthman

Special Assistant for Public Information



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W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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JULIUS HOBSON

2811 MYRTLE AVE NORTHEAST WASHDC

JAMES FARMER ON FREEDOM RIDE CALLS NATIONAL PROTEST TRAILWAYS AND GREYHOUND MAY 17. URGE YOUR GROUP PARTICIPATE. PICKETING MOST URGENT AT TRAILWAYS. IF FEASIBLE PICKET BOTH COMPANIES. THREE ARRESTS TO DATE BUT CASES DROPPED OR ACQUITTED. VIOLENCE IN ROCK HILL. MANY CASES OF BUS COMPANY DISCRIMINATION RIDERS ENTER GEORGIA TODAY

GORDON R CAREY.

*Freedom Ride*



h. J. Keener

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Mr. Edmunds

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JULIUS HOBSON

2811 MYRTLE AVE NORTHEAST WASHDC

MORE PEOPLE NEEDED NOW TO JOIN JAMES FARMER IN JAIL IN JACKSON  
INTERESTED PERSONS MUST BE WILLING TO STAY JAILED 60 DAYS STOP  
PLEASE CALL ME IMMEDIATELY IF ANY MEMBERS AVAILABLE STOP INCIDENTALLY  
PLEASE WIRE RESERVATIONS FOR CONVENTION IF NOT ALREADY DONE

GORDON R CAREY FIELD DIRECTOR CORE.

*Don't we have to send for it*

James Hart  
James Hart  
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*Freedom Riders*

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PRESIDENT JULIUS W HOBSON WASHINGTON CORE

2811 MYRTLE AVE NE

HISTORY IS FULL OF ADVANCES THAT HAVE RESULTED ONLY BECAUSE SOMEONE CONSCIOUSLY TESTED A GIVEN SITUATION. THE FREEDOM RIDERS HAVE MADE THE TEST FOR ALL OF US IN 1961. THEY HAVE MADE CLEAR TO ALL THROUGHOUT OUR NATION THE FACTS ON SEGREGATION THAT CONTINUE TO CLOAK INTERSTATE TRAVEL IN SOME CITIES AND STATES.-THOSE SXXX WHO THREW STONES AND BURNED THE BUS ARE IN A LOSING FIGHT. IF IS A FIGHT THY HAVE BEEN LOSING FOR A LONG TIME. THEY CARRY IT UNDER A BANNER THAT DOES THEM NO HONOR, AND MAKES A MOCKERY OF BASIC CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES. SO THE MOB LOSES BOTH WAYS.

THE COURAGE AND SPIRIT OF FREEDOM RIDERS AT HOME SETS THE TONE FOR THOSE WHO WOULD ADVANCE FREEDOM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. IN THESE HANDS, THE UNITED STATES WILL PROUDLY BE FOUND

PHILIP A HART USS.



1624 CRESCENT PLACE, N. W.  
WASHINGTON 9, D. C.

*Freight  
paid*

May 31, 1961

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Unfortunately, I shall be at my country  
place in New York on June 11 and, therefore, cannot  
attend the CORE rally at All Souls Church.

Sincerely yours,

*Eugene E. Meyer*  
(Mrs. Eugene Meyer)

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
C O R E  
2717 17th Street, N E  
Washington 18 D C





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May 31, 1961

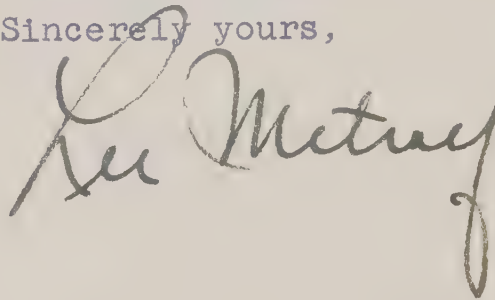
Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

I find that it will not be possible  
for me to attend the rally at the All Souls  
Unitarian Church on Sunday evening, June 11.

I do appreciate the invitation and  
regret that I cannot be there.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lee Metcalf". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "L".





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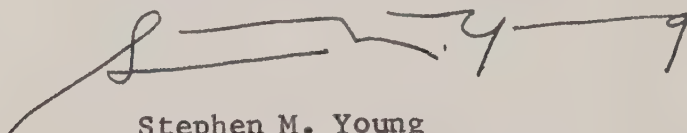
Dear Mr. Hobson:

Thank you for your invitation to attend the  
rally at 7:00 p. m. on June 11th.

However, due to a previous commitment in the  
state of Ohio, I must decline your invitation.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Stephen M. Young  
United States Senator

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JULIUS W HOBSON, PRESIDENT CONGREGES OF RACIAL EQUALITY RALLY,  
ALL SOULS UNITARIAN CHURCH

DELIVER SUNDAY JUNE 11 7PM

16TH AND HARVARD STREETS NW WAEHDC

GREETINGS TO THE WASHINGTON CHAPTER OF RACIAL EQUALITY WHO  
IS SPONSORING THIS IMPORTANT RALLY IN SUPPORT OF THE FREEDOM  
RIDERS. I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR HOLDING THIS RALLY. THE FREEDOM  
RIDERS HAVE PROTESTED LEGALLY, PEACEFULLY AND NON-VIOLENTLY  
AGAINST SOCIAL PRACTICES, OFFICIAL INACTION, LOCAL ORDINANCES  
AND STATE LAWS WHICH VIOLATE THE CONSTITUTION. UNLESS WE ACHIEVE  
RESPECT FOR THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND, THIS COUNTRY'S AUTHORITY  
WILL COMMAND LESS ATTENTION IN THE WORLD. PLEASE BE ASSURED  
OF MY CONTINUED FIGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS IN SPIRIT AND IN LAW  
AND EXTEND MY RESPECTS TO ALL PRESENT

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3d DISTRICT, OREGON

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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

"Freedom Ride"  
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June 8, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

My Secretary, Miss Herbner, has called your letter of May 29th to my attention. I would very much like to be present to pay my respects to the courageous Freedom Riders on June 11th; however, my present schedule calls for me to be in Portland at that time.

These young men and women who have committed themselves to the non-violent struggle for the rights of every American have demonstrated a faith in our deepest American traditions which puts to shame those who think that freedom has lost its ability to stir men's hearts.

The Klan-minded hoodlums who conducted the cowardly attacks on these young men and women represented the spiritual bankruptcy of the system of segregation. The blood that was shed was the blood of all of us; the violence was directed against all Americans; and the victory that was gained was gained for the rights of each one of us. My congratulations, and my earnest thanks to the Freedom Riders for their efforts on my behalf.

Sincerely,

Edith Green

Edith Green

EG:dmj





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June 7, 1961

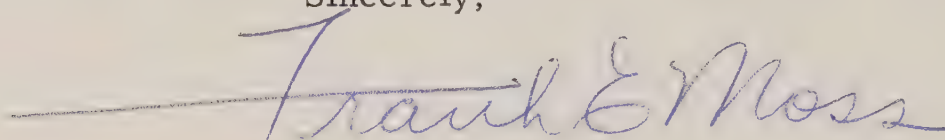
Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Thank you very much for your invitation to attend the Washington area chapter rally to express support for the freedom riders and the cause they espouse.

I regret very much that on the 11th day of June I will be out of the city and, therefore, will not be able to attend the rally. I appreciate your invitation and wish you well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank E. Moss". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

Frank E. Moss  
United States Senator



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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
LABOR AND PUBLIC WELFARE

June 5, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

I appreciate very much your invitation to attend the rally in Washington June 11 in honor of the Freedom Riders. Unfortunately, previous commitments will prevent my being with you.

However, I do want to take this opportunity to observe that the Freedom Riders have dramatically and effectively focused the Nation's attention on the limitations of first-class citizenship that many Americans still suffer. The goal sought by the Freedom Riders is a worthy and vital one, and they are to be commended for the courage and the dignity with which they are seeking it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

*Pat. McNamara*  
PAT. MCNAMARA U.S.S.





JAMES ROOSEVELT  
26TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D. C.**

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FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

LOS ANGELES OFFICE:  
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WEBSTER 4-0144

June 7, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
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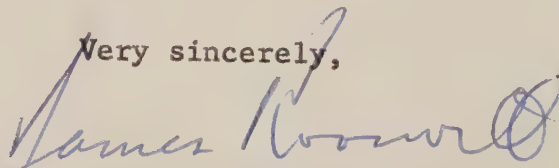
Regrettably, I cannot be with you on June 11th for CORE's important rally at All Souls Unitarian Church. I shall be attending the International Labor Organization conference in Geneva, Switzerland, where I have been appointed a U. S. delegate.

I do, however, want you to know that I am, and shall continue to be, with you in spirit for I can think of no more vital job for any American citizen than to work for a truer realization of our inherent and legal rights.

You are to be commended for your work with the "freedom riders" in their brave efforts to make the laws of our country meaningful to all its citizens. Certainly, these young people are true patriots in every sense of the word -- likened to the Founding Fathers whose faith and determination left for us a heritage worthy of our constant protection.

You have my appreciation, respect, and all best wishes in your efforts.

Very sincerely,



JAMES ROOSEVELT, M.C.

JR:gc



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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

June 8, 1961

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Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.

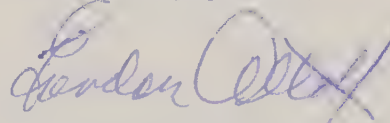
Dear Mr. Hobson:

While I appreciate the invitation to join you on Sunday the 11th, it has not been possible for me to work the rally into my schedule.

It is my hope your gathering will bring forth thoughts which will stimulate a peaceful means of working together to solve one of the most difficult domestic problems which we face.

Best regards, and thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,



Gordon Allott, U. S. S.

GA:cb





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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

*Frederick*

June 1, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to attend a meeting of the Washington area chapter of your organization to be held on Sunday evening, June eleventh at All Souls Unitarian Church.

Unfortunately, because of a conflicting speaking engagement on that date in Geneseo, New York, I shall be unable to attend but I shall be happy to receive a copy of any resolutions or other action taken.

Very sincerely yours,

*K. B. Keating*

Kenneth B. Keating

K:ao



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## United States Senate

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June 1, 1961

Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Senator Prouty is presently away from Washington and, therefore, I acknowledge receipt of your letter of May twenty-ninth.

I am familiar with his schedule and note that he has a commitment the evening your Rally is being held. If the situation should change, I am sure that the Senator will get in touch with you.

Sincerely yours,

*Thomas L. Hayes*

Thomas L. Hayes  
Administrative Assistant



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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

June 5, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

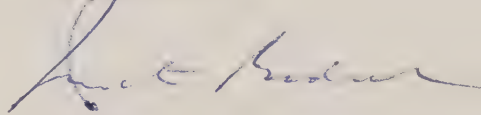
Dear Mr. Hobson:

I have your invitation to attend a rally on the 11th of June, sponsored by the Congress of Racial Equality.

I am returning to North Dakota on Friday of this week and will not return until the first of next week. Consequently it will be impossible for me to accept your kind invitation.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



Quentin N. Burdick

QNB:lg





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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

June 2, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President, Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

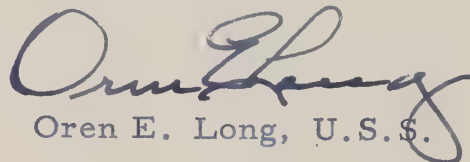
I am as yet uncertain whether I can attend the rally being held by the Washington area chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality on the evening of Sunday, June 11, 1961.

I have made a record of this important program on my calendar and will call you not later than Wednesday of next week to let you know whether I can be present.

I am in complete sympathy with the purposes of your organization.

Aloha and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

  
Oren E. Long, U.S.S.



CLIFFORD P. CASE  
NEW JERSEY

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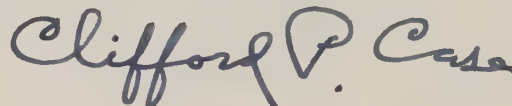
Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Washington Area Chapter  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Thank you for your invitation to the rally being held by the Washington Area Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality on Sunday, June 11. I regret very much that a prior engagement in New Jersey makes it impossible for me to be with you.

I am, however, glad to send the enclosed statement. Please extend my greetings to all those present.

Sincerely,



Clifford P. Case  
U. S. Senator

CPC/hn  
Enclosure





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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

June 1, 1961

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Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. W.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

This will acknowledge your kind invitation to Senator Church to attend the CORE meeting on June 11, 1961, at 7:00 p.m.

Senator Church is out of the city--delivering Commencement addresses in Idaho--and will not return in time to accept your invitation to join with you. I know he would want me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in including him, and to send you his best wishes.

Sincerely,



T. Ward (Mrs.)  
Personal Secretary  
to Senator Frank Church



JAMES B. CAREY  
President

AL HARTNETT  
Secretary-Treasurer



Philip Murray Building

# INTERNATIONAL UNION OF ELECTRICAL, RADIO AND MACHINE WORKERS

AFFILIATED WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR and CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS

EXECUTIVE 3-6094

1126 SIXTEENTH STREET N. W., WASHINGTON 6, D.C.

*Freedom Riders*

June 22, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Washington C.O.R.E.  
2717 - 17th Street, N. E.,  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear President Hobson:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing about my participation in the June 11 Rally to welcome the original Freedom Riders.

It was my honor and privilege to address the meeting, and I can tell you that it was with a tremendous surge of pride and affection that I listened to the reports of the heroic young men and women who undertook this dangerous but historically important trip.

As I declared in my address, the labor movement will support CORE and the Freedom Riders as a splendid vanguard of social, political and economic progress.

Sincerely,

*Jim Carey*  
James B. Carey  
President

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 9, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2811 Myrtle Avenue, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Other prior commitments prevent me from accepting your kind invitation to attend the rally of the Washington Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality scheduled for Sunday evening, June 11, 1961.

I hope you will permit me to express my commendation to the members of CORE who have demonstrated such great courage in their attempts to desegregate the interstate bus terminals in Alabama and Mississippi. The goals of the Freedom Riders should be the goals of all of us, and I encourage and applaud their actions.

I have written to the Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission in support of the position of the Attorney General in requesting the ICC to issue regulations banning segregation in interstate bus transportation. I have urged the ICC to issue similar regulations for rail transportation. I have also requested the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Agency and the Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board to act promptly to eliminate segregated facilities in airports which service interstate flights. I will advise you of the replies from these agencies upon receipt.

With sincere best wishes.

Sincerely,



JOSEPH S. CLARK

JSC:brm





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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

June 14, 1961

(Dictated June 12, 1961)

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
2811 Myrtle Avenue, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Just a note to thank you for taking the time to appear on my WLIB radio program. I am confident your discussion of CORE's history, objectives and activities was of great interest to the listening audience.

Thanks again for participating in this program.

With every good wish,

Very sincerely yours,

  
Kenneth B. Keating

K:smb





From the office of  
Senator Kenneth B. Keating (R., N.Y.)

ADVANCE for Release - AM's Monday, June 12, 1961

(Following are excerpts from Senator Keating's  
bi-weekly report over Station WLIB in New York  
City on Sunday, June 11, 1961 at approximately  
6:15 p.m.)

#### CORE LEADER EXPLAINS ITS PROGRAM

KEATING: The Congress of Racial Equality, sometimes called "CORE" is, I am sure, familiar to many of you. Most recently, it's been in the news because of its connection with the Freedom Riders who have been testing the segregation situation in transportation facilities in the South. In order to throw more light on the objectives and the activities of CORE, I have as my guest today, Mr. Julius W. Hobson, who is President of the Washington chapter of this organization, and also, the Washington representative for the national group. He is in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in the Federal Government. Mr. Hobson, I appreciate your taking time to appear with me on this program today and want to ask you a few questions.

HOBSON: We are very delighted to have this opportunity, Senator, to appear, and we'll be very glad to answer any questions.

KEATING: In the first place, Mr. Hobson, I wonder if you could tell us a little about how CORE was founded, and what it's seeking to achieve.

HOBSON: Well, CORE was founded in 1942 by Mr. James Farmer, who is its present Director. CORE was founded on the basis of non-violence. It's primarily a group that is dedicated to the Ghandian concepts of non-violence. However, CORE feels that it has added something to non-violence by employing non-violent direct action. It is a group which believes in taking action which is pointed toward bringing about better race relations, and better human relations between all groups in the country. We feel in CORE that this non-violent action is not just a problem of the people in CORE--or the Negro. It's action which we think is good for the entire country.

KEATING: How many members do you have today?

HOBSON: We have approximately 12,000 active members. However, we also have what we call "Associate Members," and if we count our Associate Members, who are people who just make contributions, we would say that we have approximately twice that many.

KEATING: How do you finance your activities?

HOBSON: Our activities are financed through contributions, by various organizations, such as labor unions. We finance it primarily, however, through contributions by the membership. Five dollar contributions, two dollar contributions, or whatever we can get from those people and the public who are sympathetic or interested.

KEATING: I want to ask you a question, now--I don't want any implication that I agree with it, because I don't--but it's one charge that's been made about CORE and I wanted to have you deal with it. It's about communist infiltration into the organization. What's the fact about that?

HOBSON: Well, I think I ought to take this opportunity to say, Senator, that I'm very glad you asked that question. We are very well aware of your record in this area of civil rights and we know that you are not in sympathy with those who make such allegations. But we are always glad to answer this question. For the officers of CORE, and the National Board of Directors, I feel very safe in saying that there is no communist infiltration. Now, for the individual membership I cannot say who is a member, or who isn't, out in the states. But, of course--

KEATING: They'll try to get in--wherever they can--







HOBSON: They may try to get in--

KEATING: We recognize that.

HOBSON: They will try to get in, but CORE has constitutional provisions which prohibit anyone coming into CORE who is not in favor of non-violent action or who has the dedication that the communists have. I might enlarge on that just one second. In the first place, the communists have a tradition of violence and a tradition of revolution, and CORE is non-violent. Any communist would certainly be out of place in CORE. Wherever we find one--or wherever we think that there may be one--we immediately look into it and attempt to get rid of him. No, CORE is not a communist organization. We do not want communist affiliation or communist sympathy.

KEATING: And there are none on your Board of Directors?

HOBSON: Absolutely not.

KEATING: Or the operating group?

HOBSON: Absolutely not, sir.

KEATING: How does CORE work with the NAACP, for instance, and other human rights organizations?

HOBSON: CORE works hand-in-glove with the NAACP. For example, we have had meetings here in Washington, of the non-violent groups with the NAACP. We get legal help from the NAACP. We get all kinds of technical help from the Urban League and other groups of similar nature in the country. We are quite cooperative with each other.

KEATING: The Freedom Riders movement has been in the news a great deal recently. How do you assess the accomplishments of the Freedom Riders, so far, in their trips?

HOBSON: Well, we feel that we have called attention to an area which has been in the news, but which no one has paid too much attention to. The Freedom Riders have brought out the necessity either for better law enforcement or for another law dealing with travel in interstate commerce. I'm not saying that we need another law. I'm not saying that we don't have law enforcement. But this is something which has been okayed by the Supreme Court, and it has been reaffirmed by the Attorney General. The Freedom Riders are simply attempting to test a law which is now on the books and which is every American citizen's right. We feel that we have accomplished one thing in calling attention to the fact that there are some states in the United States in which this Federal law is now violated.

KEATING: Where do the Freedom Riders go from here? What are their plans? For instance, is airplane transportation a problem?

HOBSON: Yes, airplane transportation is a problem in a number of southern cities. We have three fly-ins who recently flew into Jackson, Mississippi, and who attempted to use the facilities at the airport, and who were arrested. We find that there is some segregation in New Orleans, Birmingham, Alabama, and other places. There are signs up on the water fountains and other facilities which CORE intends to test, based on the Interstate Commerce law.

KEATING: Are you satisfied with the actions of the Administration in connection with the troubles of the Freedom Riders in the South?

HOBSON: We in CORE feel that the initial actions of the Administration were very good. We do not consider the Administration to be hostile. However, we do not agree 100% with the cooling-off period and some of those statements, but we do feel that generally the Administration is trying to enforce the Constitution and the law as it applies to all American citizens.





KEATING: Do you think the Freedom Riders have demonstrated the need for new laws in this field, at all?

HOBSON: I think that they have demonstrated one of two things--either a need for new law or a need to do something about law enforcement. I couldn't say whether we need a new law in this area or whether it's our law enforcement agencies which are affected.

KEATING: Some people have said--and again I raise this because it's a controversial subject--that the Freedom Riders overplayed their hand in carrying on their rides--that they agitated for trouble. What's your comment on that?

HOBSON: I can only answer those people by saying that if taking a bus from here to New Orleans and expecting all the rights and privileges in the implied contract of the bus ticket, with the bus company, is agitating, then I'm afraid that we are guilty of agitating.

KEATING: That's a pretty effective answer. I think you hit the nail on the head. Our time is up. Thank you very much, Mr. Julius W. Hobson, the President of the Washington chapter of CORE.

HOBSON: Thank you very much, Senator Keating. It was a privilege and an honor to be here.



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# United States Senate

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June 1, 1961

*Handwritten:*  
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Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

I am unable to attend your meeting because of a commitment in Michigan to accept an honorary degree. As you may know, I have consistently supported Civil Rights legislation.

Sincerely yours,

*Margaret Chase Smith*  
Margaret Chase Smith  
United States Senator





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WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

Rev. Walter E. Fauntroy, Pastor  
Dupont 7-3517

8 August 1961

Mrs. Ida T. Douglas  
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Miss Bonita Scott  
Envelope Clerk

Leon J. Leonard  
Financial Secretary

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Washington CORE  
2811 Myrtle Avenue, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

The month of August is quite a busy one for ministers as we are usually preparing for denominational conventions or getting in much needed vacations. Wherever the ministers of our city are this month, however, they cannot help but be happy and proud of the noble efforts of Washington CORE to bring about better job opportunities for Negroes in the Nations' Capitol.

I am sure that I express the sentiment of the many ministers who have been working on this problem in recent years when I say that we look forward to joining hands with you and all groups interested in the program when we return to our pulpits in September.

Kindly give our warmest regards to all of the members of CORE and may God bless your every effort with success.

Sincerely,

*Walter E. Fauntroy*  
Walter E. Fauntroy

WEF/itd



August 1, 1961

Mr. Roy Parkington  
General Manager  
Wilkins Coffee Company  
525 Rhode Island Ave., N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Parkington:

The Washington Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) is now engaged in a drive to help business establishments in the city to employ personnel without regard to race, creed, color or national origin (see enclosure).

It has come to our attention that your company employs Negroes in only menial jobs. We are aware of cases in which Negro job applicants were turned down by your company because of race.

Needless to remind you that the large Negro population of this city supports your company and helps to maintain your profits. You probably also know that no business establishment in this city can afford to discriminate against the majority of its customers.

In order that we may take fair and intelligent action in the case of your company, we would be glad to discuss this matter with you very soon.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President

Enclosure

August 1, 1901

Mr. J. H. ...  
General Manager  
Western Union Telegraph  
115 South Third St., St. L.  
Missouri, U. S.

Dear Sir, Washington

The Western Union Telegraph Company of United States (WU) is now engaged in a  
large scale construction program in the city of Washington, D. C. and in the  
vicinity thereof, with a view to extending the service of the company to the  
entire city of Washington, D. C. and to the surrounding territory.

In view of the fact that the company is now engaged in a large scale  
construction program in the city of Washington, D. C. and in the vicinity  
thereof, it is requested that you kindly advise the company of any  
changes in the location of the company's office in the city of Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,  
The Western Union Telegraph Company  
General Manager  
115 South Third St., St. L.  
Missouri, U. S.

In order that we may take full and complete notice of the same as  
soon as possible, we would be glad to receive from you any and all  
information regarding the same.

Very truly,  
The Western Union Telegraph Company

General Manager  
115 South Third St., St. L.  
Missouri, U. S.

Enclosure



2717 17th Street NE  
Washington, D. C.  
September 18, 1961

Mr. Gilbert Hahn, Jr.  
Amram, Hahn & Sundlun  
Washington Building  
Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

A careful study of your recent ads in the Washington newspapers discloses your inadvertence in informing the public that you hire personnel without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin.

We are confident that you will correct this oversight immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality

2717 17th Street NE  
Washington, D. C.  
September 14, 1961

Mr. Gilbert Hahn, Jr.  
Ames, Hahn & Sundman  
Washington Building  
Washington 5, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hahn:

A careful study of your recent ads in the  
Washington newspapers discloses your intention in  
informing the public that you have purchased without  
regard to race, creed, color, or national origin.

We are confident that you will correct this  
oversight immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Julius E. Brown  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality

September 21, 1961

Mr. James Farmer  
National Congress of Racial Equality  
38 Park Road  
New York 38, New York

Dear Mr. Farmer:

In accordance with our recent telephone conversation I am enclosing herewith our check for Five Hundred Dollars (\$500).

We have had the opportunity to observe at close range the effective work that Mr. Julius Hobson and his associates in CORE have performed in opening job opportunities for minority group workers. It was this highly creditable performance on his part which inspired this financial support for your organization. We plan to make it an annual grant.

With every good wish for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Victor R. Daly  
President

Enclosure

Lansburgh's

September 21, 1943

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
38 West 40th  
New York 18, New York

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am writing you to inform you that I have been  
informed that you are interested in the  
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Sincerely,  
[redacted]

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2717 17th Street NW  
Washington, D. C.  
September 18, 1961

Mr. Andrew Parker, President  
Woodward and Lothrop, Inc.  
10th & 11th, F and G Streets NW  
Washington 13, D. C.

Dear Mr. Parker:

Please be advised that our request for information as to the progress made in employment by your company was based on an agreement between Mr. Willie J. Martin of CORE and Mr. Weston Figgins, Vice President of your company, during a meeting in March 1961.

Since we honored our agreement at that time not to give any newspaper publicity to your change of policy, we expect you to likewise honor your agreement to inform us when asked as to your progress.

Very truly yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality



2717 17th Street N.  
Washington, D. C.  
September 18, 1951

Mr. William Herbert Woodward  
Woodward and Lothrop, Inc.  
10th & 11th, F and G Streets NW  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Woodward:

It is with pleasure that we note the information  
is in the process of being made in connection with your company's  
plans for an expansion program. We are glad to hear of  
COOR and Mr. Weston Higgins, Vice President of your company,  
during a meeting in March 1951.

Since we cannot see agreement at this time as to  
give any answer, we are sorry to hear of the delay in  
except you to likewise honor your agreement to return us  
when asked as to your progress.

Very truly yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Committee on Un-American Activities

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October 12, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 17th Street, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

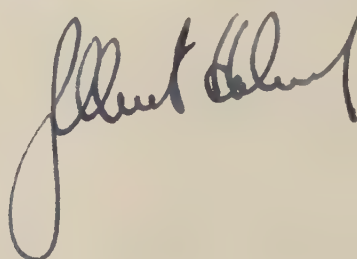
Re: File 1378

Dear Mr. Hobson:

We enclose random clippings from the months  
of September and August, 1961. Each clipping enclosed  
was run both in the Star and the Post.

Very truly yours,

Amram, Hahn & Sundlun



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10/10/61  
4801 Queens Chapel Terrace NE  
Washington, D. C.  
October 10, 1961

Mr. R. Roy Dunn, President  
Potpmac Electric Power Company  
10th and E Streets NW  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dunn:

The Washington Congress of Racial Equality believes that the Potomac Electric Power Company, a major Washington area employer, will join with us in supporting our government's stated policy of equal job opportunity for all. In order that Washington firms may visibly implement this policy, Washington CORE is endeavoring to assist them in providing equal consideration to all applicants for employment without regard to color in all job categories at all levels.

Washington CORE has an obligation to report to its members and the community on your progress in breaking down the barriers of discrimination in employment.

Because of your unique status in that you operate under a public franchise, we are asking from you the same type of breakdown of employees by color and job category as was recently published by the D.C. Government for its employees.

We do not believe that this will prove too difficult a task, and would like to have this report and an opportunity to confer with you before our next membership meeting on October 24, 1961.

Very truly yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President, Washington CORE



4801 Queens Chapel Terrace NE  
Washington, D. C.  
October 10, 1961

Mr. J. B. Morrison, President  
Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company  
1710 H Street NW  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Morrison:

The Washington Congress of Racial Equality believes that the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, a major Washington area employer, will join with us in supporting our government's stated policy of equal job opportunity for all. In order that Washington firms may visibly implement this policy, Washington CORE is endeavoring to assist them in providing equal consideration to all applicants for employment without regard to color in all job categories at all levels.

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Julius W. Hobson  
President, Washington CORE





48011 Queens Chapel Terrace NE  
Washington, D. C.  
October 10, 1961

Mr. Donald S. Bittinger, President  
Washington Gas Light Company  
1100 H Street NW  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bittinger:

The Washington Congress of Racial Equality believes that the Washington Gas Light Company, a Major Washington area employer, will join with us in supporting our government's stated policy of equal job opportunity for all. In order that Washington firms may visibly implement this policy, Washington CORE is endeavoring to assist them in providing equal consideration to all applicants for employment without regard to color in all job categories at all levels.

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President, Washington CORE





# Washington Gas Light Company

SERVING THE NATION'S CAPITAL SINCE 1848

1100 H Street, Northwest - Washington 5, D. C.

TELEPHONE STERLING 3-5225

DONALD S. BITTINGER  
PRESIDENT

October 18, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Washington CORE  
4801 Queens Chapel Terrace, N.E.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Your letter of October 10 asks that the Washington Gas Light Company support our Government's policy of equal job opportunity for all. I know you will be glad to learn that we follow this policy and have for many years.

We practice merit hiring and merit advancement. Negro members account for over 25 per cent of our 2,450 employees, and many of them fill the higher grade jobs in our organization. Typical of the jobs filled by both white and colored employees are welder, maintenance man, supervisor, compressor operator, inspector, crane operator, clerk, and collector.

Our Labor Contracts include a provision for "posting" job openings in the Company in order that present employees may apply for advancement. This results in higher grade jobs being filled from within the Company, and the resulting move-up of employees opens up job opportunities in the lower grades. After new employees are hired to fill starting jobs, they have equal opportunity to apply for and to be considered for higher grade jobs as they become available and are "posted." Our Negro employees in higher grade jobs reached their present work and income levels by merit advancement from starting jobs.

As a matter of related interest, the Vice President of the Local Union representing our 1,300 craft and mechanical employees is a Negro. He performs the job of maintenance man which involves skilled work in our customers' homes and requires registration as a Journeyman Gas Fitter in Maryland.

We do not have any written or unwritten policy of barring Negroes from certain jobs in the Company, and we always try to select the best qualified applicant for each opening. The selection of the best qualified, of course, is a matter of necessity if we are to fulfill our corporate responsibilities to our customers, our shareholders, and our employees.

This outline of our principles and practices should be of help to you in carrying out your responsibilities as President, Washington CORE.

Sincerely,

Donald S. Bittinger

F.W.A. OCT 19 1961

c.c.: Staff

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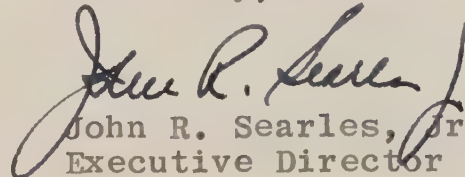
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November 2, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson, President  
Washington CORE  
4801 Queen's Chapel Terrace, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Mr. Hobson:

In response to your recent letter regarding the proposed lease of disposition parcel 110(a) in the Southwest Urban Renewal Project Area C, which was the subject of a Public Hearing before our Board of Directors on October 25, 1961, we are enclosing a statement from our Board of action taken, with an attached letter.

Sincerely,

  
John R. Searles, Jr.  
Executive Director

Enclosures (2)







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Martin Weldon

*Director of News and Special Events  
Director, Washington Bureau*

November 8, 1961

Mr. Julius Hobson  
Congress of Racial Equality  
4801 Queens Chapel Terrace, N.E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

I want to tell you how much I appreciate your appearing on TV with  
me recently.

Best regards,

  
Martin Weldon

MW:m



HOWARD UNIVERSITY  
WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

November 13, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
c/o Department of Health  
Education & Welfare  
4th & Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Room 1360, North Building  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

Dr. Winston K. McAllister and myself are Co-Chairmen for making arrangements for the All Soul's Church "Current Problem Forum" for the month of December. The theme of the discussions for this month has been designated as "Passive Resistance in the United States". On December 3rd, Dr. William Stuart Nelson will discuss certain aspects of the Gandhi Philosophy and on December 10th, Dr. Evans Crawford has secured three (3) of our students here at Howard University to form a panel to discuss their experiences on the "Freedom Rides" and "Sit-Ins".

We do not feel that this program will be a well rounded one unless we could have you to follow these two discussions with your own assessment of the overall C.O.R.E. program to date. The Sunday morning forums are held in Pierce Hall at 9:45 and usually are over by 10:45. The speaker usually devotes 30 minutes to his subject which permits an additional 30 minutes for questions from the audience. I do hope you could find it possible to fill this spot for us or designate someone that you feel could do it equally as well. The "open" dates are December 17th and 31st.

You may reach me at my office at the College of Medicine, Howard University by dialing 797-1-319 or by calling me at home AD-2-1942.

Sincerely yours,



Harold B. Jordan  
Administrative Assistant  
to the Dean

HBJ:mw



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# HOWARD UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

CITIZENSHIP PROJECT

DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT

November 9, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
National Officer for the Eastern Region of CORE  
4801 Queens Chapel Terrace, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

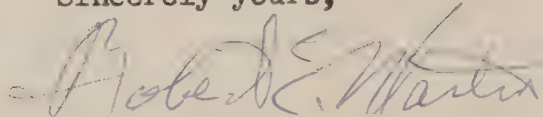
Many, many thanks, indeed, for your kindness in participating in the Seminar sponsored jointly by the Howard University Citizenship Project and the Adult Education Association on November 8, 1961. It went very well, as the enthusiastic reception of the audience indicated. Moreover, several delegates from the Association spoke to me about how much they enjoyed it and profited from it.

You made a very real contribution to the success of the Seminar and for this we are very grateful.

If you have any reactions which should be kept in mind when any program of this sort is to be presented again, please be kind enough to let me have them.

Again our warm thanks for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. Martin

Director,

Citizenship Project





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DR DUNCAN HOWLETT, DLR 630P JUN 11

CHAIRMAN MEETING OF C O R E ALL SOULS CHURCH

16 AND HARVARD STS NORTHWEST WASHDC

DEEPLY REGRET MY INABILITY TO BE WITH YOU AT THIS SIGNIFICANT RALLY. THE WORK OF C.O.R.E. BECOMES INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT AS IT BECOMES INCREASINGLY EFFECTIVE. MEN OF GOOD WILL EVERYWHERE JOIN WITH YOU IN SUPPORT OF THE FREEDOM RIDERS AND THE CAUSE OF COMPLETE EQUALITY FOR ALL MEN IN THIS LAND WHICH IS YET TO UNDERSTAND ITS OWN MANDATE OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL.

I JOIN WITH YOU IN SPIRIT

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JULIUS W HOBSON, PRESIDENT WASHINGTON CORE DLR 7PM CARE ALL

SOULS UNITARIAN CHURCH 16 AND HARVARD STS NW WASHDC

A COMMITMENT TO BE IN DETROIT KEEPS ME FROM SHARING THIS EVENING WITH YOU. I REGRET DEEPLY TO MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY OF PERSONALLY EXPRESSING TO THE FREEDOM RIDERS PRESENT MY FIRM SUPPORT AND PROFOUND APPRECIATION FOR THEIR SPECIFIC MISSION IN THIS CAUSE OF FREEDOM AND HUMAN JUSTICE. IN THEIR COURAGE AND DETERMINATION THEY ARE STRIKING A SIGNIFICANT BLOW FOR FREEDOM AROUSING THE CONSCIENCE OF MEN AND URGING GOVERNMENT TO FIRMER ACTION. THE FREEDOM RIDERS ARE AN INSPIRATION TO ALL OF US WHO ARE A PART OF THIS CAUSE. WE OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT TO THEM IN THEIR TASKS AND WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THEM IN OURS

CHARLES C DIGGS JR MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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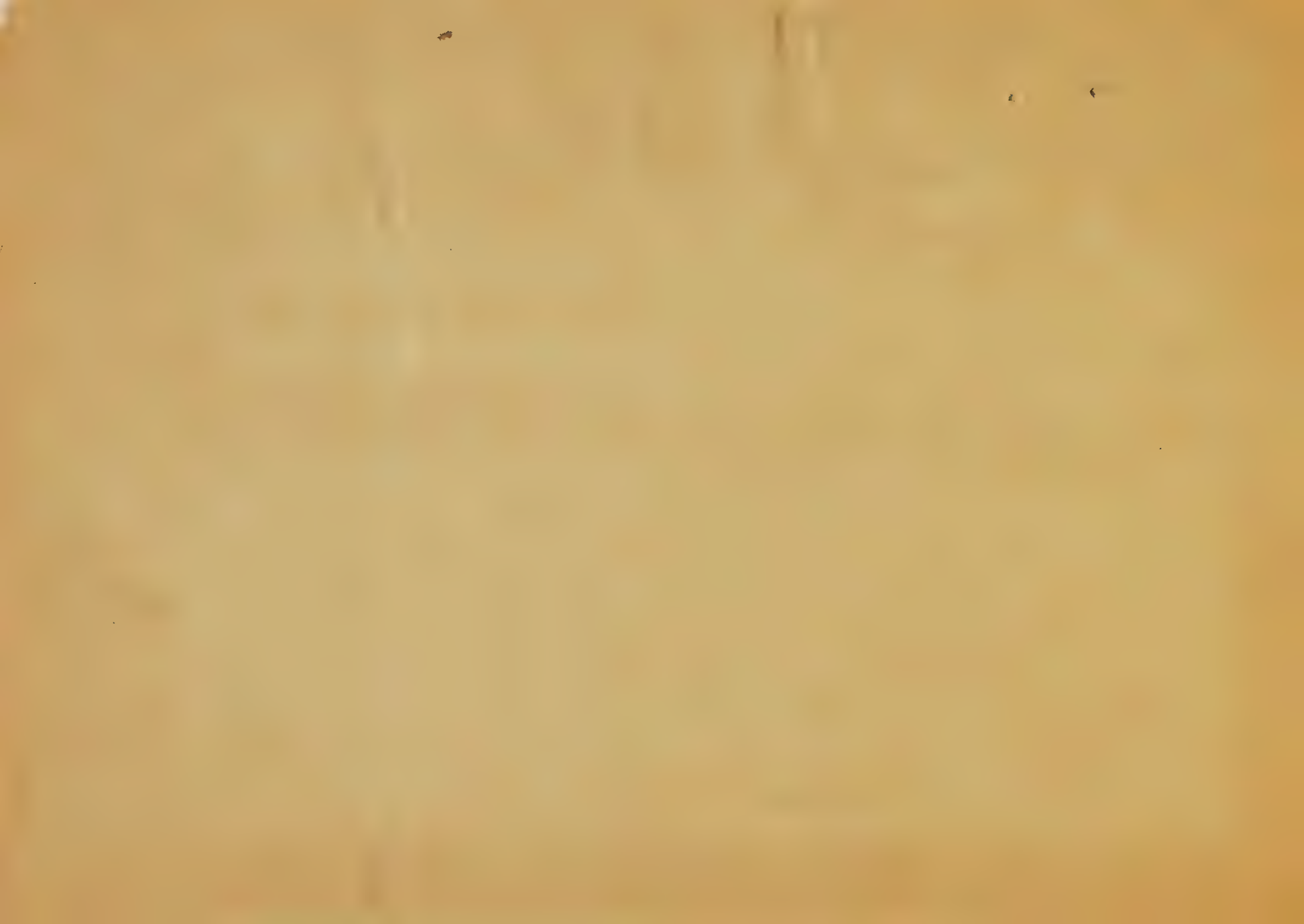
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38 PARK ROW NYK

WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE YOUR PENDING CAMPAIGN TO TEST THE RACIAL SEGREGATION OF PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION ALONG U.S. ROUTE 40 WHICH BISECTS THE STATE OF MARYLAND. WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL VIGOROUSLY UNDERTAKE YOUR PROGRAM IN THE EARLY PART OF NOVEMBER. THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU THAT I, PASTOR OF CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH, WITH A CONGREGATION OF OVER 2300 MEMBERS TOGETHER WITH THE ORGANIZATION DEMOCRATS FOR POLITICAL JUSTICE WHICH I HEAD WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE YOUR PENDING EFFORTS. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT SHOULD THE LAWMAKERS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND UPHOLD SEGREGATION ALONG US ROUTE 40 AND THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MARYLAND THEY SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY CONDEMNED AND THEIR "DIRTY GARBAGE" SHOULD BE EXPOSED FOR THE WORLD TO SEE. AN "IRON CURTAIN"

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INSTEAD OF CURBING YOUR EFFORTS AS HAS BEEN SUGGESTED BY SOME  
OF THE SO CALLED LEADERS IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND WE HOPE THAT  
YOU WILL TRIPLE YOUR EFFORTS AND BRING ABOUT COMPLETE EXPOSURE  
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DR LOGAN KEARSE CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH WILSON AND BOLTON  
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JULIUS HOBSON 4801 QUEENS CHAPEL TERR NORTHEAST

IT IS THE UNANIMOUS OPINION OF THIS COMMISSION THAT THE PROPOSED FREEDOM RIDE ON ROUTE 40 WILL HAVE A DISASTROUS EFFECT ON THE CAUSE FOR WHICH WE ARE ALL WORKING. WE HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE THAT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE MARYLAND LEGISLATURE WILL INTRODUCE A STATE WIDE PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS BILL AT THE NEXT SESSION AND THAT THIS BILL WILL HAVE THE BACKING OF THE GOVERNOR. PUBLIC FEELING IS CHANGING IN A POSITIVE DIRECTION AND MANY LEGISLATORS WHO FORMERLY OPPOSED THIS TYPE OF LEGISLATION ARE NOW KEENLY SYMPATHETIC. WE FEEL THAT ANY DEMONSTRATION AT THIS TIME WILL DISTURB THIS IMPROVING CLIMATE.

WE SHARE YOUR IMPATIENCE FOR ENDING DISCRIMINATION IN THIS STATE, BUT YOUR PROPOSED ACTION WILL

INEVITABLY PROLONG

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OUR COMMISSION STANDS READY TO CONFER WITH YOU AT YOUR  
CONVENIENCE TO MAP STRATEGY FOR ACHIEVING OUR COMMON GOALS

WILLIAM C ROGERS SR

CHAIRMAN

MARYLAND COMMISSION ON INTER RACIAL PROBLEMS AND RELATIONS.



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JAMES FARMER, MARVIN RICH AND GORDON CAREY

38 PARK ROW NYK

HAVE TELEGRAM FROM MARYLAND COMMISSION ON INTERRRACIAL PROBLEMS  
AND RELATIONS COMMISSION EXPRESSED DESIRE TO TALK TO CORE OFFICIALS  
SUGGEST WE TALK TO COMMISSION AND INCLUDE MRS JAUNITA JACKSON  
MITCHELL NAACP SECRETARY FOR BRANCHES IN MARYLAND AND INCLUDE  
PRESIDENT OF BALTIMORE CORE IT WONT HUNT TO DISCUSS ROUTE 40  
PROBLEM WITH COMMISSION AWAIT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS

JULIUS W HOBBSO

For more info

32340

For New York Area meeting  
of groups interested in

The RT 40 Freedom Ride  
Call:

Joe Steinfeld  
67 Suffolk Lane  
East Islip N.Y.

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JULIUS HOBSON

1961 NOV 1 PM 10 22

4801 QUEENS CHAPEL TERR WASHDC

HAVE 30 PLUS FOR NOV 11TH

BILL MOSS NEW HAVEN CORE

30 11 CORE.

NO LONGER AT THIS TIME

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RE 1210

WASHDC

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JULIUS HOBSON

WASHINGTON DC CORE 4801 QUEENS CHAPEL TERRACE WASHDC  
 NATIONAL CORE SUPPORTS AND URGES PARTICIPATION IN SIT-INS  
 AND PICKETING OF BALTIMORE RESTAURANTS BUS LEAVES CORE NATIONAL  
 OFFICE 145 NASSAU STREET NEW YORK CITY 630 AM SATURDAY DECEMBER  
 2ND FARE IS \$2 PER PERSON ROUND TRIP PLEASE NOTIFY NATIONAL  
 OFFICE CORTLANDT 76270 BY THURSDAY NOON NOVEMBER 30TH ASSEMBLE  
 POINT IN BALTIMORE AND TIME: TEN AM MASONIC TEMPLE 1307 UTAW  
 PLACE BALTIMORE

NORMAN HILL FIELD SECRETARY

*Route 46*

Reyes Robinson

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JULIUS HOBSON

1961 NOV 27 AM 10 19

4801 QUEENS CHAPEL TERRACE NORTHEAST WASHDC

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSION  
TO DISCUSS VOLUNTARY DESEGREGATION AND PROPOSED PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS  
LEGISLATION.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 945 AM NOVEMBER 29 1961 IN  
THE COMMISSION OFFICES IN THE STATE OFFICE BLDG

MR WILLIAM C ROGERS SR CHAIRMAN MARYLAND COMMISSION ON INTERRACIAL  
PROBLEMS AND RELATIONS.

*Route 40*

10690

4801 Queens Chapel Ter., N.E.  
Washington 17, D. C.  
November 14, 1961

Mr. William C. Rogers, Chairman  
Maryland Commission on Interracial  
Problems and Relations  
State Office Building  
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Rogers:

We in CORE are glad that the problem of "Route 40" is partially solved and that it was solved without the necessity of a freedom ride.

Our experience with you points out what can be done when people sit down and discuss their problems.

We are anxious to see the list of restaurants that have desegregated. We hope that you will find it convenient to forward it to us, with the understanding that it will not be published before November 22, 1961. If you can tell us what time you intend to release the list in Baltimore, we will be glad to coordinate our time of release in Washington and New York.

The people of Maryland are fortunate to have a Commission composed of dedicated citizens such as yourself. We hope that other states will note your work and follow your example.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
Eastern Regional Officer



4801 Queens Chapel Ter., N.E.  
Washington 17, D. C.  
November 14, 1961

Mr. William F. Buckley, Jr.  
Maryland Commission on Intergroup  
Problems and Relations  
State Office Building  
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Buckley:

We in CORE are glad that the problem of "Reverse 60"  
is being seriously studied and that it is being studied with the  
necessity of a freedom ride.

Our experience with you points out what can be  
done when people sit down and discuss their problems.

We are anxious to see the list of restaurants  
that have desegregated. We hope that you will find it  
most helpful in your work, with the understanding that  
it will not be published before November 15, 1961. If you  
can tell us what time you intend to release the list in  
Baltimore, we will be glad to coordinate our time of re-  
lease in Washington and New York.

The people of Maryland are fortunate to have a  
Commission composed of dedicated citizens such as yourself.  
We hope that other states will take your work as an example.  
your example.

Sincerely yours,

William F. Buckley, Jr.  
Eastern Regional Officer

HOWARD UNIVERSITY  
WASHINGTON 1, D. C.

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

December 18, 1961

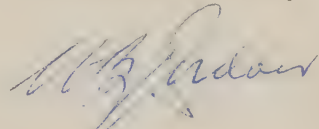
Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
Room 1360  
Department of Health,  
Education and Welfare  
4th and Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

On behalf of the Current Problems Forum and myself, I wish to thank you for your talk of yesterday. I am sure that you recognized the enthusiasm of your audience. In addition, several members of the committee called me and indicated that we should have a 'repeat'.

With best wishes for a happy holiday to you and your household, I am

Sincerely yours,



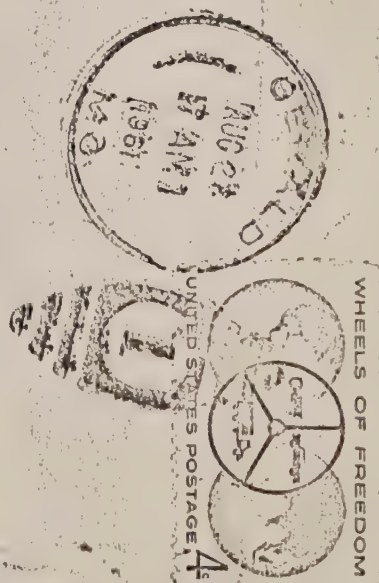
Harold B. Jordan

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Why dont you take  
the trip to Jackson  
Miss - or did  
you? I am saving  
all CORE names  
for any possible economic  
reprises - but I may  
have missed yours.  
I'm sure Jackson will know  
exactly what to do for  
you: and gladly!!

John Gregory  
4849<sup>th</sup>  
St. Louis  
Mo







# THE HECHT CO.

F ST. AT SEVENTH, N. W.  
WASHINGTON 4, D. C.

OFFICE OF  
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WASHINGTON AREA

August 11, 1961

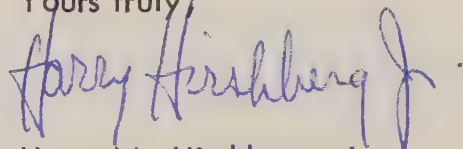
Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hobson:

Our President, Mr. Robert Levi, is on vacation and will not be back in the City until the end of next week.

Immediately, upon his return I am certain that your letter will receive his attention and that you will hear from him. Meanwhile I am with very good wishes

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Harry N. Hirshberg, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Harry N. Hirshberg, Jr.

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WASHINGTON AREA

August 21, 1961

Mr. Julius W. Hobson  
President  
Congress of Racial Equality  
2717 - 17th Street, N.E.  
Washington 18, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

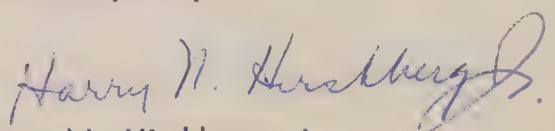
Today, promptly upon Mr. Robert Levi's return from vacation we discussed your letter of August 9th which I had acknowledged to you when it first came into the store.

I shall try to reach you on the telephone this evening so that we may discuss this as we also are gratified in your fine approach to this problem and should like to bring you up-to-date.

I am writing you on the possibility that I may not reach you at home, I know from having tried sometime ago that it is sometimes difficult to find you at home, if I fail to reach you on the phone I just want you to know that I will be away the balance of this week, but then will try again to reach you or would ask you to call me any time Monday the 28th of August or thereafter as we should like to get together with you as you have suggested in your letter.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

  
Harry N. Hirshberg, Jr.

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Mr. Hunsbrough  
After May 22, 1961

WASHINGTON CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY  
2811 MYRTLE AVENUE, N. E.  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 19, 1961

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Washington Congress of Racial Equality,  
Civil, Labor, Religious, Government, Business and Social  
Organizations of the District of Columbia

FROM: The Washington Congress of Racial Equality

SUBJECT: The Results of the CORE Investigation of the Hiring  
Policies of the Hecht Company of Washington, D. C.

You are probably aware of the fact that the Washington Congress of Racial Equality is engaged in ceaseless efforts to improve relations between all citizens of the District of Columbia, and to bring about goodwill, understanding, and fair play. To this end, the Organization has embarked upon a program to help government and private enterprise in the District of Columbia to engage in the intelligent utilization of all manpower resources without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin.

CORE is glad, therefore, to announce that teams of its members have just completed a cursory survey of the employment situation at the Hecht Company in this city. The following are examples of our findings:

1. Out of a count of 270 clerks at the Hecht Company, only 5 were nonwhite;
2. Out of a count of 20 department floor managers, all were white persons;
3. Out of a count of 8 credit office clerks, all were white persons;
4. Of the two personnel office clerks observed, both were white persons;
5. All information clerks counted were white;
6. Of all package wrappers counted, 10 were white and 3 were nonwhite;





7. All parking lot cashiers observed were white persons;
8. Out of 14 stockmen counted, 2 were white and 12 were nonwhite;
9. All elevator operators were Negroes;
10. All parking lot attendants were Negroes;
11. All lunch counter waitresses and cooks and janitors and maids were Negroes.

CORE's teams attempted to determine from observations of the customers entering the store at all entrances for four days the percent of nonwhite Hecht Company customers. Our findings were as follows:

1. On Tuesday, April 4, 1961 approximately 47 percent of the persons entering the Hecht Company store between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. were nonwhite;
2. On Thursday, April 6, 1961 approximately 48 percent of the persons entering the Hecht Company store between the hours of 12:45 p.m. and 5 p.m. were nonwhite;
3. On Friday, April 7, 1961 approximately 43 percent of the persons entering the Hecht Company store between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. were nonwhite;
4. On Saturday, April 8, 1961 approximately 47 percent of the persons entering the Hecht Company store between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. were nonwhite.

Thus, according to CORE's survey, less than 10 percent of the Hecht Company's employees are nonwhite, while approximately 44 percent of its customers are nonwhite.

Other teams observed the number of persons approaching the credit office clerks and found that on Saturday, April 8, 1961, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., 52 percent of the persons talking to clerks in the credit office of the Hecht Company were nonwhite.

CORE teams asked questions of some of the Hecht Company employees and learned the following:

1. There are no nonwhite personnel in the company's programs for training clerks, office personnel, managers, buyers, etc.;



2. No employees approached were aware of any union at the company;
3. While the company hires white personnel from the unemployed labor force for all positions, it limits white-collar jobs for nonwhite personnel to those already employed at the store. This limits the employment opportunity for all other nonwhite citizens of the city.

CORE believes that on the basis of its findings, it is justified in bringing these facts to the attention of the Washington community.

We believe that in a city with a nonwhite population equaling more than 53 percent of the total, stores like the Hecht Company and many others which we hope to give special attention to very soon, cannot afford to engage in unfair hiring practices or "token hiring." The economic health of such enterprises demands the intelligent utilization of all of the city's manpower resources without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin.

We believe also that the citizens of the District of Columbia will rally to support our efforts, through non-violent and legal means, to make this city worthy of its claims to be democracy's capital.

Come to the next meeting of CORE, to be held on Tuesday, April 25, 1961, at the All Souls Church, 16th and Harvard Streets, N. W. Come out and learn the details of our proposed efforts to improve the employment situation for all citizens of this city. We need your ideas, your know how, and your support.

Meeting time 8:00 pm.

Julius W. Hobson, President

Ethelbert Haskins  
Corresponding Secretary





Washington Congress of Racial Equality  
2811 Myrtle Avenue, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

April 25, 1961

Mr. Robert Levi, President  
The Hecht Company  
7th & F. Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Levi:

Enclosed is a memorandum containing information based on a cursory survey of your establishment by the Washington Congress of Racial Equality.

The CORE is a group dedicated to the idea of bringing about better human relations through legal and nonviolent means. To this end we are indeed interested in real employment opportunities for all citizens of the District of Columbia. We are, therefore, approaching all of the major department stores in the city and offering to assist them in instituting real merit hiring practices which will give all citizens the opportunity to work in any and all jobs for which they are qualified.

CORE believes, as you probably do also, that the economic health of the Washington community depends upon the intelligent and unbiased utilization of all manpower resources regardless of racial, religious, or national origin, or color.

Because our obviously incomplete findings may give us an erroneous impression of the hiring practices of your company, we kindly request that representatives from our group be given the opportunity to discuss this matter with you at your nearest convenience.

We anxiously await your pleasure.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson, President

Enclosure



Washington Congress of Racial Equality  
2811 Myrtle Avenue, N. E.  
Washington 18, D. C.

April 22, 1961

Mr. Robert Levi, President  
The Hecht Company  
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Washington, D. C.

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We anxiously await your pleasure.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson, President

Enclosure



August 9, 1961

Mr. Robert Levi, President  
The Hecht Company  
7th & F Streets, N. W.  
Washington D. C.

Dear Mr. Levi:

This is to congratulate you on the steps you have taken in the area of fair employment practices. CORE is gratified that your company has become one of the first to advertise for and employ citizens in all jobs without regard to race, creed, color, or national origins.

We are sure that the Washington community will indeed be a better place in which to live and work as a result of the cooperation of firms like yours. Many of the problems which we face will be solved if we can have understanding and cooperation between the business community and the working public.

We are anxious to inform the public of your accomplishments, and to encourage other firms in the community to follow your example. If we may ask, we would appreciate some specific information as to the progress made in employment by your company since our first conferences with you.

We are authorized to say that the Afro-American newspaper has promised front page billing on such a report. We believe that this will be helpful to your business as well as to the entire community.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson  
President

August 9, 1961

Mr. Robert Levis, President  
The Levis Company  
17th & E Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

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GORE is a good employer. We are sure that the Washington community will indeed be a better place in which to live and work as a result of the cooperation of firms like yours. Many of the problems which we face will be solved if we can have understanding and cooperation between the business community and the working public.

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Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Robson  
President